

October 1, 2009

## BY EDGAR AND OVERNIGHT COURIER

Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Mail Stop 7010 Washington, D.C. 20549-4628 Attention: Craig H. Arakawa

Re:

Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc.

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008

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## Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of Helix Energy Solutions Group, Inc. (the "Company"), the Company has received the letter dated September 28, 2009 from the Staff and intends to submit its responses to that letter by October 28, 2009.

If any member of the Staff has any questions concerning these matters or needs additional information or clarification, he or she should contact the undersigned at (281) 848-6555.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Michael Overman

Michael Overman, Deputy General Counsel

cc: Karl Hiller (Branch Chief-Securities and Exchange Commission)
Alisa Johnson (Helix)